

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

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For:

**CUSHIONED CARPET, CARPET TILE,  
AND METHOD**Group Art Unit: Unknown  
Examiner: Unknown

## SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to a first Office Action on the merits, please amend the above application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**Please **add** new claims 87 – 149 as follows:

87. A method of forming a textile product comprising the steps of: bonding a layer of rebond foam to the underside of a textile fabric.

88. The method as recited in claim 87, wherein said rebond foam is bonded to said textile fabric by an adhesive.

89. The method as recited in claim 88, wherein said adhesive is a hot melt adhesive.

90. The method as recited in claim 87, further comprising the step of bonding a sheet of

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